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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby elect for prosecution Group IB, claims 1-15, 17-21, 23, 24, 38-45 and 47-48, without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to pursue additional groups of claims at a later date by filing divisional applications.

Respectfully Submitted,


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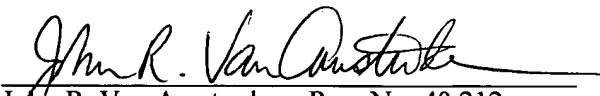
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